

OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program 2004/2005
Merit Scholarship Application
for
Adult Continuing Education

Dear Applicant,

This is an application form for scholarships awarded by the OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program for 2004/2005. The program is composed of the following organizations:

Officers' Spouses' Club (OSC)
Enlisted Spouses' Club (ESC)
Sergeants' Major Association (SMA)
Warrant Officer's Association (WOA)
Leonidas Polk Chapter of the AUSA
Fort Polk Thrift Shop (TS)

In addition, corporate organization have made donation to be awarded in conjunction with these scholarships. .

Scholarships will be awarded at the 2005 Scholarship Awards Banquet to be held at the Fort Polk Warrior Club on 13 May 2005.

Eligibility:

1. Must be a family member of an active duty, retiree or AGR and possess a current family member ID card for active duty, retirees, and Army active guard/reserve soldiers (AGR).
2. Applicants who have received a full scholarship to another institution, either civilian or military (United States Military Academy, Reserve Officers Training Corps, United States Naval Academy, etc.), are ineligible to compete for these scholarships.
3. Applicants who have received an award from the OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program in the past can apply again as long as they meet the eligibility.
4. Family members of scholarship judges are ineligible.
5. The applicant must be planning to attend or is attending an accredited vocational or technical program leading to a degree or certificate, or a two or four year undergraduate program leading a degree in the fall term of the year 2005. No scholarship will be awarded for those who pursuing graduate school degree.

Requirements:

1. Completed application to include signed acknowledgment (see APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS).
2. Copy of military ID card (please provide a Xeroxed copy of both sides of the ID card).

3. All applicants must provide a planned course of study or program description along with name and phone number of prospective college or institution you plan to attend.
4. All applicants must provide an official high school or college transcript which includes GAP and class rank that is sent directly from the school with official seal to OSC post office box.
5. A **300-500 word typed essay** based on **one (1)** of the following topics. Essay should be double spaced with a 12pt font. (Essay will be judged on writing ability, content, grammar and punctuation.):
 - a. What are your academic goals? What has motivated you to aspire to these goals? How will achieving these goals impact on your community and our society?
 - b. Describe a person who has played an important part in your life and explain the impact they have had on your values and aspirations.
6. **Sign and date** the application, thereby acknowledging all statements to be true and factual and that you are fully aware of all the rules and requirements of said application.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Applications must be typed (double spaced, 12pt font) either on the attached application or using the electronic format available on the Fort Polk homepage (www.jrtc-polk.army.mil – on the main page has link to print form). Transcripts, copy of both sides of ID card, completed essay, and references must be attached.
2. All applications **must be submitted hardcopy** in a 10 x 13 or larger envelope. Electronic versions will NOT be accepted. Application and attachments must NOT be folded.
3. Anonymous judging will take place in early April and scholarship recipients will be notified on or 25 April 2005. Non-recipients will not be notified. Scholarship recipients will be recognized at the banquet on 13 May 2005.
4. Applications are judged on *community service, academic record, personal achievement, and essay*.

APPLICANTS WILL BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, AND NATIONAL ORIGIN, RANK OF SPONSOR, SEX, AGE, OR FINANCIAL NEED.

5. Scholarship monies are for payment of tuition, books and fees only. Checks will be paid directly to the school and are intended for the upcoming fall academic year. Each scholarship winner must notify OSC Scholarship representative no later than 9 June 2005 of the current mailing address of her/his school. If the scholarship monies are not disbursed before 30 September 2005 or you receive a full scholarship, you become ineligible for OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program grants and the funds will be returned to the OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program fund.

6. Upon completion, mail signed application with all required attachments to:

OSC

PO Box 3911

Fort Polk, LA 71459-4056

7. Completed application and all attachments must be *postmarked* **NO LATER THAN 31 March 2005. The committee will not consider incomplete applications. Hand-delivered applications will NOT be accepted.**

If you have any questions about the application process or eligibility criteria, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at 337 537-4159. Once again, please be accurate, complete and on time.

Sue Harper

OSC Sponsored Scholarship Representative

Applicant Number (For OSC Use Only)

OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program 2004/2005 Continuing Education Scholarship Application

Name of Student

Last **First** **Middle**
SSN of Student _____ **Contact Tel #** _____

Home Address

Street	City	State	Zip
Date of Birth	Male	Female	

Military ID card Number _____ **Expiration Date** _____

Sponsor's Name _____ **Rank** _____

Please mark sponsor's affiliation: Active Duty___AGR___Retiree___

Date of Arrival to Fort Polk _____

School presently attending or will attend _____

Privacy Act/Acknowledgment

I acknowledge reading all the instructions pertaining to this application and fully understand the requirements stated therein. By signing below, I am verifying that the information I have provided to the OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program is accurate to the best of my knowledge and I consent freely to allow the Scholarship Council to confirm all the information included therein. If selected, I agree to allow use of my name and picture for publication in local newspapers, media, and the Fort Polk Guardian.

*In addition, I understand the primary purpose of this information submitted is for the OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program to judge my application for possible award of a 2005 scholarship. Disclosure of all information is **voluntary**; however, failure to provide this information may prevent the OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program and its designated judges from properly judging your application/packet and thus determining your eligibility for the award of a scholarship. All submitted information is used solely for the purpose of the award of an OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program scholarship and will not be used for any other purpose.*

Signature of Applicant
(Or signature of parent or guardian if under 18 years of age)

Date _____

Applicant Number (For OSC Use Only)

PERSONAL DATA STATEMENT

1. List the college where you are presently attending or will be attending in the near future:

2. What is or will be your major field of study? _____

3. Degree being pursued: Vocational _____ AA _____ Undergraduate _____

4. List all schools attend since high school:

Name

City, State

Dates Attend

[illegible]

5. List any employment (last five years only):

Month/Year

Employer

Position

Hours per week

[illegible]

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6. School related activities	Leadership Positions	Awards/Honors

7. Volunteer/Community Activities	Position	Dates	Hours per week	Awards

8. Additional Awards/Honors	Date	Organization

9. Transcript: Enclosed _____ Being Sent by School _____

(Transcript is an applicant's responsibility to meet the deadline and only originals or certified copies with a raised or embossed seal from a notary public will be accepted.)

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10. Describe your educational plans for the future. (Please don't use additional attached sheets.)

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High School Student

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2. Applicants who have received a full scholarship to another institution, either civilian or military (United States Military Academy, Reserve Officer Training Corps, United States Naval Academy, etc.), are ineligible to compete for these scholarships.
3. The applicant must be planning to attend an accredited vocational or technical program leading to a degree or certificate, or a two or four year undergraduate program leading to a degree in the fall term of the year 2005.
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2. Copy of military ID card (please provide a Xeroxed copy of both sides of the ID card).

3. Official transcripts from high school (only originals or certified copies with a raised or embossed seal from a notary public will be accepted). ***Students who have transferred in to the local school district during any of the four years of high school are encouraged to provide transcripts from previous schools attended to provide judges with validation of honors and or Advanced Placement (AP) courses taken.***

If you are attending non-credited school (i.e. local private schools), you must provide GED score.

4. Two (2) letters of recommendation from persons outside your family. Acceptable sources for letters of recommendation: school faculty member, office supervisor, members of volunteer organizations, or members of the clergy. **NO** references to applicant's name, gender or rank of sponsor should be used in recommendation. (For example, the term "the applicant" should be used in place of all pronouns that would infer gender, such as "she" or "he").

5. A **300-500 word typed essay** based on **one (1)** of the following topics. (Essay will be judged on writing ability, content, grammar and punctuation.):

a. What are your academic goals? What has motivated you to aspire to these goals? How will achieving these goals impact on your community and our society?

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4. Applications are judged on ***academic achievement, community service/school sponsored extracurricular activities, personal achievement, essay and recommendations.***

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OSC Sponsored Combined Scholarship Program 2004/2005

Scholarship Application for High School Student

Name of Student

Last	First	Middle
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SSN of Student _____ Contact Phone # _____

Home Address

Street	City	State	Zip
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Date of Birth _____ **Male** _____ **Female** _____

Military ID card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Sponsor's Name _____ **Rank** _____

Please mark sponsor's affiliation: Active Duty___ **AGR**___ **Retiree**___

Date of Arrival to Fort Polk _____

School Presently Attending _____

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Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____
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PERSONAL DATA STATEMENT

1. List the college where you will be attending in the near future:

2. What is or will be your major field of study? _____

3. Degree being pursued: Vocational _____ AA _____ Undergraduate _____

4. List school-sponsored activities in which you participated, including duration or participation and any offices held or awards/honors received:

[illegible]

5. List extracurricular volunteer activities, including community groups/projects, organizations, and social groups. List any offices held or awards/honors received.

[illegible]

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6. List any work experience (paid or volunteer):

Month/Year	Employer/Organization	Position	Hours per week

7. Transcript: Enclosed _____ Being Sent by School _____

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